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REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application are

respectfully requested in view of the following remarks. Claims 2, 4, 6, and 14

are canceled through this Reply. Thus, claims 1, 3, 5, 7-13, and 15-24 are

pending. Claims 1, 3, 5, and 13 are independent.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Applicant appreciates that the Examiner has indicated claims 2, 4, 6-12,

and 14-24 to define allowable subject matter. Independent claims 1, 3, 5, and

13 are amended to incorporate the features of claims 2, 4, 6, and 14,

respectively. Therefore, all pending claims are now allowable.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS

The Examiner objects to claims 2 and 3 for informal matters. Claim 2 is

canceled and the features therein are incorporated into independent claim 1

with corrections to address the issues raised with respect to claim 2. Claim 3

is amended to address the issue raised with respect to claim 3.

Applicant respectfully requests that the objections to the claims be

withdrawn.

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§ 103 REJECTION - LIN, ESCHBACH, WINKELMAN

Claims 1 and 3 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly

being unpatentable over Lin (U.S. Patent No. 6,522,432) in view of Eschbach

(U.S. Patent No. 5,450,217), and further in view of Winkelman (U.S. Patent No.

5,668,890). Applicant respectfully traverses.

Claims 1 and 3 are amended to incorporate the features of allowable

claims 2 and 4, respectively. Therefore, claims 1 and 3 are now allowable.

Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 1 and 3 based

on Lin, Eschbach, and Winkelman be withdrawn.

§ 103 REJECTION – LIN, ESCHBACH

Claims 5 and 13 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly

being unpatentable over Lin in view of Eschbach. Applicant respectfully

traverses.

Independent claims 5 and 13 are amended to incorporate the features of

allowable claims 6 and 14, respectively. Therefore, claims 5 and 13 are now

allowable.

Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 5 and 13

based on Lin and Eschbach be withdrawn.

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CONCLUSION

All objections and rejections raised in the Office Action having been

addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in

condition for allowance. Should there be any outstanding matters that need to

be resolved, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Hyung Sohn (Reg.

No. 44,346), to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in

connection with the present application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), Applicant respectfully

petitions for a two (2) month extension of time for filing a Reply in

connection with the present application, and the required fee of \$450 is

attached hereto.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent,

and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit

Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16

or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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